#### A Celebration of Life Honoring

## Mr. Roy Alvín McCann

# The Order of Service

Processional

Hymn of Praise .....Blessed Assurance (verse 1 & 3) The Invocation .....Reverend Randy Harrison East Chapel CME ~Pastor

#### **The Scripture Readings**

Old Testament ......Reverend Marshall Jackson Jr. Booker Memorial CME~ Benton LA~ Pastor New Testament .....Reverend Manuel Henderson Lane Chapel CME~ Shreveport, LA ~Pastor Song of Strength .....Sister Ida Ogueri

Church Resolution (s).....Lane Chapel CME East Chapel CME St. Andrews United Methodist Church Tribute to Roy McCann .....Lee Arthur Brown

### Song of Praise ......Lane Chapel Male Chorus Representative .....Cory Crawford

### **Special Expressions**

East Chapel Representative ......Sister Gwen Foster Lane Chapel Representative .....Brother Willie Bradford Booker T. Washington Alumni...Sister Gloria Phillips Family Member .....Sister Cassandra Miles

\*The family is requesting you share a written memory on the impact Roy McCann made in your life. Please see the insert in the program. **Song of Comfort** ......Because He Lives (verses 1 & 3)

Celebratory Message ......Reverend Larry Anders Presiding Elder Shreveport District Recessional ......When We All Get To Heaven

# Acknowledgement

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all of you here today. There is nothing more gratifying than to have loving people respond with heart and hands in one's hour of need. You have lifted our spirits with your prayers, comforting words message of hope, floral tributes, visits, calls, and other expressions of kindness, during this time of bereavement. The only thing greater than your kindness is the love of God that inspired it. We appreciate your compassion.

Special thanks to Wood Memorial Nursing Home Staff and Enhabit Health & Hospice Team for bringing dignity, comfort, and compassion to the care of Mr. McCann. A warm special thanks to our musician, Mary Stewart-Myers.

May God bless and keep each of you in his care.

~ The family of Roy Alvin McCann

# **Active Pallbearers**

Herbert McCann Kerwin James James Lee Smith, Jr. Ardis McCann Vincent McCann Myron Keith McCann

# **Honorary Pallbearers**

Booker T. Washington Alumni



**Interment** Cedar Memorial Garden Mineola, Texas

**Repast** McFarland Community Center 708 Stone Street ~ Mineola, Texas



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for Roy Alvín McCann



SunriseSunsetDecember 16, 1944April 5, 2023Celebration of Life ServiceSaturday April 15, 2000 at 44 a m

Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 11 a.m.

First Methodist Church 319 N. Pacific Street Mineola, Texas 75773 Reverend Bob Murray, Pastor

Reverend Randy Harrison, Officiant East Chapel CME, Mineola, Tx. Reverend Larry Anders, Eulogist Presiding Elder Shreveport District

## The Journey of Life for Roy Alvin McCann

On the sixteenth day of December in the year nineteen hundred forty-four, in Preston, Louisiana Roy McCann was born to the late Maggie and Wilmor McCann Sr. The McCann family moved to Mineola, Texas in the mid 1940's.

Roy was baptized at an early age at East Chapel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Mineola, Texas. Where he actively served in Sunday School, Methodist Youth Fellowship, and Youth Choir. In his early teens he discovered his musical talent to sing and play the piano.

Roy graduated from McFarland High School where he finished third in his class. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology from Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas. He continued on the path of learning, earning a Master's Degree in Biology from Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas.

His teaching career originated in the state of Louisiana. Roy taught General Science and Biology at Herndon High School and at Booker T. Washington High School in Shreveport, Louisiana. He taught at Booker T. for 46 years. Longevity earned him the title "Mr. Booker T." He was not only devoted to the faculty and staff but the students as well. He sponsored the B.T.W. Science Club, Thi-Hi-Y club, and Key Club. Roy also participated in numerous seminars, workshops and was an active member in the Louisiana Teacher's Association.

He was known by family and friends for his GQ look... GQ style...coordinating his colors with a hat, suit, suspenders, bowtie, and shoes. Despite his active lifestyle and professional endeavors, his faith, family, and love for his Church was never neglected. He began rendering his service to East Chapel C.M.E. Church playing the organ/piano unselfishly; traveling from Shreveport to Mineola twice a month (free of charge) because that was his mission to serve others.

He was devoted and committed to Lane Chapel C.M.E. Church in Shreveport, Louisiana for 40 years as a faithful member and musician of the Male Chorus for 20 years. He also rendered his service and musical gifts at Hollywood Baptist Church, Antioch Baptist Church in Bossier City, and other churches in Marshall, Texas.

One of the truest measures of a well spent Christian life is the number of persons who are touched by the love, care, and benevolence of one as they pass through life. The highlight of his day was cooking soul food, entertaining family, and friends. Those special Holidays dinners in Mineola always had Roy's special touch, from his delicious pineapple Ham, delectable Potato Salad, to the finger-licking good, Turkey and Dressing. ROY was a surprisingly good cook!

He especially looked forward to the "**McCann Family Reunions**" that was held biennial in Shreveport, Louisiana. His infectious smile, outgoing personality and **YES** that laugh...was in a class all by itself.

After his health began to fail. He could no longer maintain his independence in Shreveport. It was his desire to move to Wood Memorial Nursing Home in Mineola, Texas. Even at Wood Memorial, Roy would expect his special order of ice cream sandwiches; not one but two or three. Every now and then he requested his niece's Cassandra Miles delicious peach cobbler.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Wilmor and Maggie McCann; Brothers: Uriadell McCann, LeRoy McCann, Wilmor McCann Jr., Ardis McCann and Lovorn McCann; Sisters: Resia Mary King, Charlie Guy, and Octavia Tyler.

On April 5, 2023, Roy Alvin McCann heard the "Master" say **"Well Done"** and moved him from an earthly home to his heavenly home.

He leaves to cherish his memories: (sister) Katie James of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; (brother) Edward McCann of Tyler, Texas; (sister-in-law) Reverend Evelyn McCann of Mineola, Texas; a longtime coworker and friend Lee Arthur Brown; a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

# Lífe Is Líke A Song



A life is like a song we write In our own tone and key. Each life we touch reflects a note That forms the melody.

We choose the theme and chorus Of the song to bear our name, And each will have a special sound, No two can be the same. So, when someone we love departs, In memory we find.

Their song plays on within the hearts Of those they leave behind.